

**Questions for Max Dodson**  
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Property Cleanups

1. In what percentage of the properties cleaned to date do the property owners have continuing difficulties? Could the CAG be given a list of the difficulties
2. How many properties cleaned to date have had post-cleanup sampling? Could the CAG be given a report on the post-sampling results?
3. Is the post-property cleanup sampling done by an independent entity?
4. Does EPA guarantee that property cleanups will be done right?
5. Of the 616 properties cleaned to date, how many have completed the post-cleanup survey?
6. Areas of a contaminated property designated as non-use are not cleaned. How are these designations made?
7. How many properties are affected by the non-use area issue?
8. What is the average per property cost of cleanup?
9. Isn't it cost-effective to clean all contamination the first time rather than leaving some and have to come back later to remove it?
10. Is the decision referenced in the preceding question a local management decision or is there some overriding dictate regarding this topic?
11. How can the community guide or at least have input into EPA's property restoration efforts?
12. Comment at a recent GAC meeting indicates that confidence in the property of at least some people in the Libby community is lagging. Is EPA aware of this?
13. What is EPA doing to restore or enhance confidence in the cleanups?
14. Would EPA support the formation of a cleanup support group, i.e., a group of people to meet and discuss property cleanup issues?
15. Does the law now provide or allow EPA to be assessed a penalty missing cleanup deadlines?

Troy

1. Why hasn't the cleanup of the Troy schools been conducted under the emergency response authority?

Mine and Mill Site

1. The mine, mill and tailings are open to the elements. Why isn't it being cleaned now?
2. When is this work scheduled and exactly what is planned?

Libby Asbestos Toxicity

1. Why hasn't animal laboratory testing been done to establish the toxicity of Libby tremolite asbestos?
2. Is such testing planned and when will it begin/conclude?

Economic Impact

1. Would EPA please publish amount of money it has spent within the city, the county, and surrounding area?
2. How much of the money EPA has spent in Libby been paid to local contractors versus out of town crews?
3. Please provide a detailed breakdown of all current expenses related to the Libby project, including the present payroll in Libby.